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KAUAI INMATE COMMUNITY SERVICE WORKLINES HELPING BOTTOM LINES FOR STATE, COUNTY AND NON-PROFITS

Lihue – Inmates working on the Community Service Worklines from the Kauai Community Correctional Center (KCCC) contributed labor to State, County and non-profit agencies valued at \$24,944.50 in fiscal year 2003-2004 according to statistics released today by the Department of Public Safety (DPS). A total of 3,601 worker-hours were committed to various community service-related projects.

Statewide, the Community Service Worklines contributed 199,275 worker-hours for a total value of \$2,756,133.26 in fiscal year 2003-2004.

"The Worklines program provides an excellent opportunity for inmates to do something constructive for the community," said John F. Peyton, Jr., director of the Department of Public Safety. "Participating in the Worklines program also allows inmates to get out of the cellblock during the day and still have time for training in the evening that will help them get back into society."

The Worklines program provides supervised community custody level inmates who perform work that many agencies do not have the manpower to deal with.

The KCCC Worklines does most of its work for the county and non-profit agencies. The county jobs consist of cleaning and maintain beaches, parks and roadways. Recently, the KCCC Worklines crew helped the Kauai County Office of Elderly Affairs move to their new offices. And, for ten years now, the KCCC Worklines has assisted the Kauai Farm Bureau with the set-up and take down of the annual Kauai County Farm Fair.

(See table below for breakout of KCCC Worklines activities.)

KCCC WORKLINES COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS FY 2003-2004

City and County Projects	11
# of inmates	117
# of worker-hours	2,041
Est. labor value	<u>\$11,285.50</u>
Non-Profit Projects	22
# of inmates	188
# of worker-hours	1,560
Est. labor value	<u>\$13,659.00</u>
Total worker-hours	3,601
Total Est. labor value	\$24,944.50

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